

REMARKS

Restriction Requirement and Applicant's Response

Claims 1-19 are pending in the present application.

In the Restriction Requirement mailed January 22, 2010, the Examiner required restriction to one of two groups.

- Group I: Claims 1-14, and 18-19, allegedly drawn to a primer set for identifying a killer-cell immunoglobulin-like receptor allele (KIR) and a kit.
- Group II: Claims 15-17, allegedly drawn to a method for identifying a KIR allele.

Applicants elect Group I, Claims 1-14 and 18-19, without traverse.

Applicants further specifically reserve the right to file a divisional application directed to claims within the non-elected group.

FEE AUTHORIZATION and REQUEST FOR TIME EXTENSION

Applicants do not believe that any extensions of time are required to accompany the Response to Restriction Requirement filed herewith. However, if any time extensions are required, such time extensions are hereby requested. If any fees not otherwise submitted with this response are required, please charge Deposit Account No. 50-3994 (**Order No. IVGN 607**). Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to this deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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